

## "HOP," PETRY, ELECTRICITY

Police Raid "Joint" and Make Discoveries.

### MANY MODES OF ESCAPE

ELABORATE SYSTEM OF ENTRANCES AND EXITS FOUND.

The police have begun a crusade against the "hop joints." The officers received a tip that white men and women were smoking opium in Chinese dives in Plum alley and a raid was made on several of the suspected places. The police were not fortunate enough to capture any of the smokers, although at the time one of the houses was raided there were two "nymphs du pave" from Commercial street, the dive, according to reports. The dives are fitted with electric bells and patent locks and every precaution is taken to guard against a surprise by the police.

The first place visited by the officers was a two-story board shack in Plum alley a few doors north of Second South. This "joint" is operated by a Chinaman, whose heathen name is unknown but who is known among the denizens of the lower world as "Dr. Fat." It was reported to the officers that "Dr. Fat" had been doing a large-sized business at his place of late and the police decided to raid it, and if possible to catch some of the smokers who have been "hitting the pipe." An officer was stationed at the front door to prevent escape in that direction while several more went around the rear of the place, passed through a lively stable and entered the place from the rear.

### Break Down Three Doors.

After making sure that some one was inside, the officers made a rush and broke down a door. This was only a blind, however, and the officers went to batter down two more before they could enter the room where the smoking was done. The work occupied but a few moments, but in this short time the inmates had been warned and when the officers got inside the "hop dens" had gone.

The room was blue with smoke and a sickening odor of opium, mingled with the aroma of cigarette, pervaded the place. Long "hop pipes" were scattered about the room just as their users had dropped them when the alarm was given. Cards of black opium were lying on the table near a flickering candle, but the smokers had escaped. The officers searched the place from cellar to garret, but the birds had flown. In two of the rooms were found electric push buttons, which the police say are connected with the alarm on the alley and the moment the bell rings the "hop dens" make their escape. The houses are built touching one another and are connected by a number of doors so that it is not difficult to avoid the police. From the officers stationed in front of the house it was afterwards learned that the instant the policemen knocked in the front door the bells were rung all along the line.

### Devices to Fool Police.

All sorts of ingenious devices are used by the proprietors of the joints to fool the police. Often the smokers are placed in a room which is locked from the outside with a lock, which the officers believe that the room is unoccupied. This ruse worked for a while, but the officers finally "tumbled" so it is no longer used.

The police claim that most of the smoking is done early in the evening, about 8 o'clock, and in the mornings about the same time. The officers who patrol the hop joints principally are fallen women and the lowest class of men. Occasionally, however, a prominent young man is looking for a "new sensation" may be found hitting the pipe.

### Effects of "Hop" on Brain.

As an example of the effects, the following, said to have been found in the "joint," is submitted:

"Dr. Fat of Chinatown can make fat people thin;  
The way he 'cooks' those 'pills' of hop is certainly a sin.  
You enter his room in Plum alley, find your way through the smoke to a bunk.  
And Dr. Fat of Chinatown takes a card of hop from his room.  
You take your place on mat, 'longside a Chink of two."  
But just to know us get your head, why, what does it matter to you?  
Then Dr. Fat of Chinatown calls out to his friend, 'What do you want to smoke?'  
"The Melican man he want to smoke, go gettin' the long bamboo."  
And he kicks his customers out of the door as soon as he sees they are broke.  
Dr. Fat of Chinatown, as soon as it gets bright day,  
He leaves the hop fiends in their bunks and goes on a fan-tan lay.  
He gambles with the Chinese every eve, loses his money, and then  
Makes his way down the alley to the door of his own house, and he  
He opens the door and steps inside, and cheerfully looks around.  
And says to his countryman, 'Go gettin' hop, one pound.'  
When night has fallen and the stars are out, the hop fiends come and go.  
And Dr. Fat stands by the wicket gate that opens onto the alley.  
"Six bittee hop, there you are," he cries, "and four bittee hop for you."  
You no hittee hop, then? Then two bittee hop will do."  
He sings this song the whole night long, assisted by a good Chinese.  
And "cooks" the "pills" in the dim gas light in the alley at number 2.

### RESULT OF MELANCHOLY.

Suicide of Sanford Northrop, Cousin of George Gould.

St. Louis, Mo., June 21.—Sanford Northrop, until recently secretary and general manager of the American Refrigerator Transit company, committed suicide today at the home of Claude Kennedy, vice president of the Republic Railway Appliance company, where he was stopping. Northrop, who was about 35 years of age, leaves a widow and one child. He was a cousin of George Gould and stood high in local social and financial circles. About six weeks ago he resigned his position with the American Refrigerator company. No cause for the deed is known. Ten minutes before the shooting occurred, Claude Kennedy had been talking with Northrop, who appeared to be in the depths of melancholy. He was dead when found. Mr. Kennedy said he knew of no reason why his friend should have committed suicide, for his business prospects seemed good and his marital relations happy.

Mrs. Northrop and daughter Nancy, aged 7 years, are now at Atlantic City, where they have been for several weeks. A brother, Rod Northrop, is in Europe.

The remains of Mr. Northrop will be taken tomorrow to Philadelphia, the home of his wife's parents, for interment. Before marriage Mrs. Northrop was a Miss Ringel of Philadelphia.

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## NATAL NATION TELLS OF HUGE GEYSER

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### HERE TO STUDY RAILROADS

HAS GREAT FAITH IN FUTURE OF THE RAND.

G. Naton of Natal, South Africa, accompanied by his wife, is registered at the Knutsford. He came in yesterday morning from San Francisco en route to New York on a tour of the world, having left Natal last February. Mr. Naton is the traffic manager of the sole railroad system of that colony, and while in this country will study American methods of operating railroads.

En route to this country Mr. Naton stopped at Rotorua, the principal city on the north island of the group constituting New Zealand. While there he took occasion to visit the famous Waimangu geyser, which spouts in the mountains about thirteen miles from the city.

### Geyser Is a Monster.

The geyser is noted for two features possessed by no other phenomenon of that character. It has a crater covering an acre and a quarter, and seldom throws a stream of water less than 500 feet into the air. It spouts once every thirty-six hours. The day Mr. Naton and his wife visited the spouter, it broke its own record by throwing a column of water more than 1,000 feet into the air. The column was the size of the crater. The eruption was so terrific as to carry up with the water tons of rocks and dirt. Some of the rocks were hurled to the top of the water weighed over seventy pounds. Unlike the geysers in the Yellowstone National park, the Waimangu spouter throws up water that is almost black. It is so dirty. Occasionally there will be streaks of crystal-like water in the column as it is thrown upwards by the hidden power in the bowels of the earth.

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### Formation Is Peculiar.

It is somewhat difficult to tell what is the formation in which they occur in this district. Some call it a mica schist, others a metamorphosed granite, while to your correspondent it appeared very similar to the volcanic ash in which the Dewey mine was found in the Thunder mountain district, Idaho. The zone in which the gems are found here is about half a mile wide and a little more than a mile long. There appears to have been no fissuring, with the exception of the intrusion of one large dyke which is about 250 feet wide and shows clearly for 4,500 feet in length, and the turquoise is found in this dyke, sometimes showing on the surface in a vein which is about the size of a pin head to an average walnut. Mr. Simmons has opened the property in many places and the supply of gems seems to be practically inexhaustible.

### Trouble to Float Mine.

After Mr. Simmons had found his wonderful mine his trouble only commenced. In 1897 he took some of the gems to Denver, where he had them sold. He sold a few there and then went on to New York, where he sold some more. He endeavored to raise money for development purposes, but was met with doubts and fears. He bonded his property several times, and every time the sale fell through. In 1898 he went to London with his grip-sack containing gems of various sizes. They were found to be pure and brighter than those even from Arabia and Persia, and he sold a few there. He brought back to New York his best gems and sold a 68-carat stone to a prominent New Yorker, after the closest tests had been made, for \$1,000. That settled the question. He enlisted Charles F. Wood & Co. of 1 Maiden lane in his enterprise, and John L. Morgan, a prominent lapidary, and they organized the Toltec Gem Mining company. The three members of the firm of Wood & Co., Mr. Lamont and Mr. Simmons own all the stock, of which there is none for sale. They have secured claims here and twenty-four in California, and they can limit or increase the supply at their will, and they can fix the price as effectively for turquoise as they can for diamonds.

### Lives in Mountain Eerie.

Mr. Simmons lives quietly and unostentatiously with his wife in an eyrie up on Sugar Loaf mountain, from which can be seen parts of Nevada, California, Arizona and Utah. As an index to his character it might be said that he has not deserted his friends of former and poorer days. There are, however, other possibilities. With this mine worth mentioning. From various parts of this property samples of quartz have been taken and assay returns have shown values of \$5 a pound. This bears out the theory of your correspondent that Sugar Loaf mountain may be the crater of an extinct volcano which may carry untold riches.

Believing in the "Crescent" district as a gold-bearing section, Mr. Simmons is endeavoring to develop the Emma mine, which has a shaft down 140 feet and a well-defined vein of quartz assaying \$25 per ton. He also owns the Big Tiger, formerly known as the Esmeralda, and the first location in the district, which he has just purchased and given a contract to sink 100 feet from its present depth. If it then looks "good" he will sink 100 feet more. Several other shipments of ore were made from this property when it was owned by William Sherman, which carried \$180 in silver and \$40 in gold.

### Colorado Men Interested.

The district is attracting attention in the outside world is evidenced by a number of circumstances, among which may be mentioned the fact that Denis Sullivan, the well known mining millionaire of Denver, has been quietly developing the Double Standard group, three miles from here, for the past five years. Associated with him are some of the most prominent mining men who began mining in Gilpin county, Colo., in 1858. His reputation for ability and experience is second to none, and he informs your correspondent that he has sampled every mining district from San Diego to the Utah line, and that he has seen nothing that compares so well as the "Crescent" district. He has been very successful in his work, and has been doing on the Double Standard and returns show from \$10 to \$80 in gold in silver. Mr. Kenney pronounces the formation of the district to be granite and porphyry.

### Much High-grade Gold.

The Nippeno Mining company, recently organized by Grant Halfpenny and associates of Los Angeles, owns six claims in the heart of the district, from which shipments of gold running from \$20 to several thousand dollars per ton

have been made. Several hundred feet of work have been done. The company is a close corporation, with plenty of money in the treasury, and the manager has ordered lumber for the construction of boarding and bunk houses. Before the 1st of July a large force of men will be employed in opening up this property, which, unless all signs fail, will develop into a valuable mine.

Conspicuous among those operating in the Crescent district are Eben H. Smith and Charles Mater of Colorado. Every mining man in the country knows "Eben" Smith, who with his partners was associated with D. H. Moffat of Denver. Mr. Smith has made several millions in mining, and now resides in splendid style in Los Angeles. Charles Mater was the pioneer merchant in Leadville and also operated largely in mines. He also accumulated a large fortune many years ago, leaving Colorado in 1893. Since then he has been engaged in mining in Arizona, California and Nevada. He came here first in June of last year and then visited Soda Lake and Death Valley and other districts, but nowhere did he find such satisfactory showings as here.